

## House Resolution No. 4401

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State institutions of higher learning that admirably ensure that students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

**Whereas**, the Honors College at the University of Central Missouri in the town of Warrensburg was founded in 1958 with nine students as the second such program west of the Mississippi River; and

**Whereas**, during the 2008-2009 school year, the University of Central Missouri Honors College will celebrate the Golden Anniversary of its establishment; and

**Whereas**, currently headed by an Interim Dean and Professor of Philosophy, Dr. Joseph Lewandowski, the Honors College has more than 550 students and offers approximately 25 honors course sections each year; and

**Whereas**, one of the earliest student members of the Honors College was Dr. Ed See, who went on to become a Professor Emeritus of the University of Central Missouri Theatre Department; and

**Whereas**, in its early years, the Honors College program was overseen by a committee chaired by Dr. Catherine Titus, an English professor; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Peter Viscusi, a Professor of History, was appointed Director of the Honors Program in 1992 at a time when 100 students studied in six honors course sections; and

**Whereas**, the Honors Program became the Honors College in 1999 with Dr. Peter Viscusi as its first Dean; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of such outstanding Missouri educational institutions as the University of Central Missouri Honors College:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the Honors College of the University of Central Missouri and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of their superb educational institution; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Honors College of the University of Central Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative David Pearce  
District No. 121

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4401, adopted October 16, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker